who died during the last three years because of the killer disease;

(b) the number of persons cured and the system of medicine applied;

(c) whether research in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, has yet shown any break through in tackling the disease; and

(d) if not, whether assistance from foreign countries with advanced research experience, in genetics, is likely to be obtained?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Second meeting of the council under J.C.M. Scheme

188. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the second meeting of the staff Council under J.C.M. Scheme was held on the 5th April, 1988;

(b) if so, details of its agenda and actual business conducted therein;

(c) what are the details of members who attended and those who did not attend the meeting; and

(d) what are the reasons, if any, for not nominating/ deputing their representatives to the said meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Harmful effect of non-iodised salt

189. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the consumption of non-iodised salt by human beings can cause several ailments;

(b) whether any research has been conducted in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when the non-iodised salt is likely to be banned in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (c) No. Consumption of non-iodised salt by a normal healthy person does not cause any ailment.

Intake of iodine is the simple and cheapest method for control of Goitre and other associated iodine deficiency disorders, one of the most widely prevalent nutritional problems of the country. Hence, iodised salt is being sponsored to areas endemic for Goitre and other IDDs., under the National Goitre Control programme.

The scheme for iodisation of the entire edible salt in the country is being implemented in phases, to be completed by the year 1992.

Postings of PGTs/Vice Principals in KVS

190. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a meeting of Board of Governors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan was recently held in New Delhi;

(b) if so, whether changes in transfer guidelines was an item of agenda of the said meeting;

(c) if so, the details of changes proposed by KVS and All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association;

(d) the details of changes approved by the Board of Governors and the date from which they would be given effect to;

(e) whether All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association has asked for immediate implementation thereof and review of postings of such teachers; and

(f) if so, what is the reaction of the Sangathan thereto, with justification therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A statement-I showing the change proposed by the All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association is annexed. Another Statement-II containing draft revised guidelines proposed by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is also annexed. (*See* below).

(d) The Board of Governors approved the draft guidelines proposed by Kendriya Vidyala Sangathan with the folowing modifications:—

(i) Husband and wife will be transferred|posted to the same station as far as possible after a teacher has completed at least a major part of an academic session at the present station.

(ii) In special cases on compassionate grounds, with the approval of Chairman Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, a Principal/EO/AC could be posted to his home state after he has put in 20 years of service in the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

(iii) Posting on promotion indicated at Sl. No. 13 of statement-II would be subject to availability of vacancies.

(iv) Teachers| Vice-Principals| Principals posted to hard stations would be given a station of their choice subject to availability of vacancies after completion of 3 years stay at the hard station. This would however not be applicable to teachers specifically recruited for North Eastern Region. These guidelines are to be implemented with effect from 1-5-1988.

(e) The All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teahcers Association in their letter dated 8-7-1988 received in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan on 21-7-1988 have made an enquiry as to whether the change approved by Board of Governors regarding posting of PGTs/Vice-Principals on promotion|recruitment would be made effective in 1988.

(f) The guidelines will be implemented with effect from 1-5-1988 as the next academic session commences from this date.

Statement-I

Changes proposed by All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association in the Transfer Guidelines

(1) Transfer on Administrative grounds should follow rather than precede disciplinary proceedings.

(2) Transfer on medical grounds should also include equally severe diseases other than cancer, cardiac problems and paralysis.

(3) Bachelor|widowed lady teacher be given couple status.

(4) Minimum stay of three years for normal transfer may be reduced.

(5) All Teachers, Principals and Vice-Principals be posted to home districts|choice station in the last five years of service.

(6) PGTs may not be posted on recruitment|promotion outside the region as well as language area.

(7) Vice-Principals on recruitment|promotion may be posted in another region but not in another language area.

(8) All request transfers may be treated in public interest with benefits.

(9) Earlier transfer policy in respect of teachers, Principal and Vice-Principal having served in a difficult station may be revieved.

(10) Guidelines for intra-regional transfer should be streamlined.

Statement-II

Draft transfer Guidelines proposed by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

1. Normally transfers will be done only once in a year during the summer vacation so as to avoid mid-term movement of teachers and disruption in students' studies. All inter-regional and intra-regional transfers will preferably be completed by 30th June every year.

2. Transfers will be made after offering promotions every year. The offers of promotion would invariably be made by 30 April of the year.

3. Transfer on administrative grounds will be generally avoided. Where such transfer is unavoidable, prior approval of the commissioner will be necessary. In exceptional cases, transfers on administrative grounds may be done by the Assistant Commissioners in anticipation of formal approval of the Commissioner.

4. Transfers on compassionate grounds will be given first priority in cases where a teacher or his spouse or dependent children are suffering from illness such as cancer, Cardiac problem, paralysis, Renal failure, TB or have death in the family. Proposals for transfers under this category may be considered if facilities for the treatment of the disease do not exist at the station where the teacher is posted. If transfer is considered necessary, it may be effected for a station where facilities for the treatment of the disease exist. In support of the disease, a Medical Certificate from CMO, Civil Surgeon, DMO or any equivalent Medical Authority in the Defence Organisation may be produced.

5. Husband and wife will be transferred/posted to the same station as far as possible after a teacher has completed at least one full academic session at the present station.

6. Subject to the availability of vacancies, transfer of couple cases will be made on the basis of following priorities:

(i) Where both husband and wife are employed in the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

(ii) Where the spouse is a Uniformed Defence/para-military officer

(iii) Where the spouse is a transferable:—

(a) Central Government employee

(b) employee of an autonomous organisation/Undertaking fully financed by Central Government

(c) State Government employee

(d) employee of an autonomous organisation/Undertakikng financed by State Government.

(iv) Where the spouse is a local resident viz. a businessman, Doctor, Advocate etc.

7. PRTs, TGTs, Headmasters/Headmistress and other teachers in the corresponding grade will be posted as far as possible in the same region of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in which they were selected. They will not ordinarily be transferred from the region except on request against clear vacancy.

8. No request for transfer will ordinarily be entertained unless a teacher has completed 3 full academic sessions at a particular station. For hard stations, transfer after stay of two full academic sessions could be considered.

9. Subject to what has been stated above, if there are more than one claimant for transfer to a particular station they will be considered strictly in order of the length of their stay at a station where they are posted. If more than one person have same stay, the one who has served at a hard station would get priority over the others; otherwise a length of service in K.V.S. would be the determining factor.

10. Vice-Principals and Principals will be liable to transfer all over India and the duration of stay at a particular station will be five years, to be counted w.e.f. 1st May. Vice-Principals/Principals with Meritorious record of work may continue at the same station for seven years to be counted w.e.f. 1st May. If a Vice-Principal/Principal has less than ten years to retire, his stay at a particular station for five years could be relaxed to enable bringing him to the home state five years before his retirement.

11. PGTs/Vice-Principals on recruitment/promotion may be posted to either another region or another language area. However, every PGTs/Vice-Principal/Principal has to work in another language area for at least nve years.

12. Principals/Education Officers/Asstt. Commissioners will not be posted to their home state at any time during their service except during the last five years, subject to the availability of vacancies.

13. PGTs./Vice-Principals/Principals/Education Officers/Asstt. Commissioners who have five years or less to retire, on promotion, would not be posted out if already working in home state.

14. Unmarried Women teachers who have worked for full two academic sessions at a particular station will be considered for transfer in case vacancies are available after considering proposals indicated in (4) and (5) above.

Facilities to the Central Government Employees in North-Eastern Region

191. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of special facilities admissible to Central Government employees posted in North Eastern Region; and

(b) which of these facilities are being extended to employees of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Central Government employees when posted in the North-Eastern Region were allowed various facilities, concessions and allowances like fixed tenure of posting and a posting to a station of choice on completion of such tenure, weightage for satisfactory performance of duties